



Saguaro National Park (East) Naturalist Program Schedule May, 2015

Programs meet at the Rincon Mountain Visitor Center, 3693 S. Old Spanish Trail unless otherwise noted. All programs are subject to change. Call the visitor center at (520) 733-5153 for updates. See www.nps.gov/sagu for other programs.

May 1, 15, 29 3:00 p.m. **History is a Work in Progress** *presentation*
Join us in the visitor center auditorium to explore the almost forgotten names of people and places from the late 1800's in the area of the Rincon Mountains. *Wheelchair accessible.*

May 2, 10, 14 2:00 p.m. **Cactus Caravan** *Auto Tour*
Begin your exploration of the Cactus Forest Drive with a park ranger and become familiar with some of the common cacti. A great introduction to the park! Program is accessible.

May 2 1:00 p.m. **Meet the Hohokam*** *Presentation*
Join a park ranger in the visitor center auditorium for a hands-on introduction to the prehistoric people who once called Saguaro National Park home.

May 2 3:00 p.m. **Medicinal Plants of the Desert *** *Garden Walk*
Learn about some of the native plants that are both easy on the eye and can make you feel better as well.

May 3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, 18, 25, 27 11:00 a.m. **Naturalist Table** *Patio Talk*
Join a park naturalist on the visitor center patio to explore a variety of natural history topics. *Wheelchair accessible.*

May 5, 12 10:00 a.m. **A Taste of the Desert** *garden walk*
Join us for a stroll through our cactus garden and learn what plants can be used for food, clothing, medicine, shelter and much more. *Wheelchair accessible.*

May 6, 13, 20, 27 11:00 a.m. **Flash, Whoosh, Gush, and Growth: Sonoran Desert Monsoon Rain***
The summer heat and humidity bring the mighty and sometimes destructive monsoon rain. Saguaros, frogs, and others depend on these drenching afternoons to begin a new season of life in the dry desert. *Wheelchair accessible.*

May 8, 22 3:00 p.m. **Creating Saguaro National Park** *presentation*
Join staff in the visitor center auditorium to discover how abuse, failure, politics, commitment, recovery and the Tucson Garden Club all played a part in creating today's Saguaro National Park. *Wheelchair accessible.*

May 15 7:00 p.m. **Night Walk** *1 mile guided walk*
Join a park naturalist for this easy two-hour hike to explore and experience the Sonoran Desert at night. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes, and bring water and a flashlight. As space is limited, advanced reservations are required, and can be made by calling 733-5153.